

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT**

General Administration (Elections) Department – General Elections to the Telangana Legislative Assembly – Pre-certification of advertisements of political parties / candidates / others etc., published in Print Media and telecast in Electronic Media and also Social Media – Reconstitution of State Level Media Certification and Monitoring Committee – Orders – Issued.

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS.A) DEPARTMENT  
G.O.Rt.No. 1462**

**Dated: 16-10-2023  
Read the following:-**

- 1) G.O.Rt.No.202, GA (Elections.A) Department, dated 13.02.2023
- 2) G.O.Rt.No.1223, GA (Elections.A) Department, dated 13.02.2023
- 3) From the Under Secretary, ECI, New Delhi,  
Lr.No.491/MCMC/5/0223/Communication, dated 04.08.2023

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**ORDER :-**

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, State Level Media Certification and Monitoring Committee (MCMC) headed by the Chief Electoral Officer along with members to check the cases of Paid News published in Print Media and telecast in Electronic Media and also Social Media was constituted.

2. In the circumstance reported by the ECI, New Delhi, in the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the State Level Media Certification and Monitoring Committee is hereby reconstituted is as under :-

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| a) The Chief Electoral Officer,  | ..... <b>Chairman</b>         |
| b) ADG/Director Level Officer from PIB/BOC present in the state-nodal Officer for MCMC to be nominated by DG(Zone), I&B Ministry, Government of India. |                               |
| <b>OR</b>  |                               |
| <b>One expert to be co-opted by the Committee</b>  | ..... <b>Nodal Officer</b>    |
| c) Any observer appointed by the ECI   | ..... <b>Member</b>           |
| d) Officer of Indian Information Service (IIS), (at the level of US/DS) posted in the State/UT, representing a media Department of Government of India | ..... <b>Member</b>           |
| e) Independent citizen or journalist as nominated by PCI (if any)  | ..... <b>Member</b>           |
| f) Addl./ Jt. CEO in charge of Media   | ..... <b>Member Secretary</b> |
| g) An intermediary expert /Social media expert (to be chosen by the CEO subject to the eligibility criteria)   | ..... <b>Member</b>           |

3. The above State Level MCMC shall decide appeals received from both the District Level MCMC and the Committee on Certification of election advertisement as per the ECI Instructions and also follow all other instructions with respect to the powers and functioning of State Level MCMC shall remain identical as contained in the ECI's extent guidelines issued besides examining all cases of Paid News on appeal against the decision of District MCMC **or** cases that they may take up **suo-moto** , in which case it shall direct the concerned R.O. to issue notices to the candidates.

**[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA]**

**VIKAS RAJ  
CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER &  
E.O. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Chairperson and Members of the State level MCMC Constituted herein.

{Along with copy of the ECI Lr. No.491/MCMC/5/2023/Communication Dated:4/8/2023, 24/8/2023}.

The Commissioner, GHMC & District Election Officer, Hyderabad (w.e)

All The Collectors & District Election Officers, Telangana State.

The Presidents of all Political Parties for the State of Telangana

{Recognized National Parties and State Level Parties}

{Along with copy of the ECI Lr. No.491/Paid News/2019/Communication,  
dated 27.08.2012, 25.02.2019 and 19.03.2021}

The Commissioner, Information & Public Relations Department, Telangana State,  
Samachar Bhavan, A.C.Guards, Hyderabad – 500 004.

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All the Television Channels / Cable Network Operators/ All India Radio and Private F.M. Channels. {Through the Commissioner, Information & Public Relations Department, Telangana State, Hyderabad.}

**Copy to :**

1. The Chairperson and Members of the Addl. CEO's Committee on Certification of election advertisements Constituted. (w.e.)
2. The Principal Secretary to Govt, Information Technology Electronics and Communications Department, Telangana State, Secretariat, at 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, B.R.K.Bhavan, Hyderabad-29.
3. The Director General (South Zone), Press Information Bureau, M/o. Information & Broadcasting, GOI, Room No.203, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, CGO Towers, Kavadiguda, Sec'bad -80.
4. The Deputy Director General, Prasar Bharathi, Door Darshan Kendra, Telangana State, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad- 500 013.
5. The Station Director, Prasar Bharathi, All India Radio, Saifabad, Hyderabad – 500004.
6. The P.M. I.T, and S.L.A.. O/o the CEO, T.S. for uploading the G.O.Rt. in the CEO's website.
7. All the Officers, in G.A ( Elections) Dept., and P.S/ PA to the CEO /Addl.CEO/ Joint CEO/ Dy. CEO.
8. The Secretary, Press Council of India, Sookhana Bhavan, 8-C, CGOs Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003.
9. Sri Suman Kumar Das, Secretary, Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi – 110001.
10. Sri Pawan Diwan, Under Secretary, ECI, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001
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**SECTION OFFICER**